

**GUIDELINES FOR BLOOD EXPOSURE MANAGEMENT**  
**at a GLANCE**

- Was the material involved in the exposure one of the following?
  - blood
  - body fluids containing blood
  - other potentially infectious materials (OPIMs) such as tissues, semen, vaginal secretions, cerebrospinal, synovial, pleural, peritoneal, pericardial or amniotic fluids

If the answer is no, then stop!

If the answer is yes, then continue.....

- Was the type of exposure one of the following?
  - percutaneous (sharp) injury
  - mucous membrane exposure including sexual intercourse
  - non-intact skin exposure
  - bites breaking the skin (may result in a blood exposure to both people)

If the answer is no, then stop!

If the answer is yes, then continue.....

- Is the source person known positive for Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C or HIV?

If the answer is no, then stop!

If the answer is unknown, then test the source person.....

If the answer is yes, then continue.....

- Is the exposed person susceptible to the bloodborne pathogen to which they were exposed?

If the answer is yes, then refer the person to the attending physician who may use Management of Occupational Exposures of HealthCare Personnel (policy 603-05-DD) as a resource.